

1950, Nepali nationals can acquire immovable and movable property in India.

[Translation]

**New Telephone Exchanges in Maharashtra**

3845. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to open new telephone exchanges in Mahar-

ashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be opened?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The information is given in enclosed statement.

**STATEMENT**

*The Number of New Exchanges Proposed to be Opened in the State of Maharashtra by 91-92 District-wise is as under:*

S.No.	Name of District	No. of New Exchanges Proposed to be opened
1.	Ahmednagar	9
2.	Akola	2
3.	Amravati	3
4.	Aurangabad	2
5.	Beed	3
6.	Bhandara	3
7.	Buldhana	1
8.	Chandrapur	3
9.	Dhule	3
10.	Gadchiroli	1
11.	Jalgaon	6
12.	Jalna	2

<i>S.No.</i>	<i>Name of District</i>	<i>No. of New Exchanges Proposed to be opened</i>
13.	Kolhapur	4
14.	Latur	3
15.	Nagpur	2
16.	Nanded	1
17.	Nasik	4
18.	Osmanabad	2
19.	Parbhani	1
20.	Pune	6
21.	Raigad	3
22.	Ratangiri	7
23.	Satara	6
24.	Sangli	6
25.	Sindhudurg	3
26.	Solapur	10
27.	Thane	4
28.	Wardha	3
29.	Yeotmal	1
30.	Bombay Telephones	12

[English]

**BBC/CNN ahead in giving News on Disasters/Happenings in India**

**3846. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI:**  
Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether BBC/CNN and others are ahead of Doordarshan in giving news on Disasters/Happenings in India;

(b) whether STAR TV is giving calendars of events in India which are never given by Doordarshan;